The State Planning Commission advises and reports to the Secretary of State Planning on all matters submitted to it by the Secretary, such as the State Development Plan. It may also consider current operations and activities of the Department, the needs of the State for further development, the establishment of regional or metropolitan planning areas, the effectiveness of the Department and its planning activities, and the public awareness and understanding of the objectives and functions of State and local plan-The Commission may establish such subcommittees as may be necessary, and may with the approval of the Secretary of State Planning hold private or public hearings and sponsor public forums in any part of the State whenever it deems it necessary or useful in connection with its advisory functions (Code 1957, Art. 88C, secs. 1-11).

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